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# Public Meeting Minutes January 8<sup>th</sup> 2019 7:00 pm, Winchester Hall, Frederick MD 21701 (3rd Floor Conference Room)

Commissioners Present: Annie Jones, Rosario Campos, Shauna Mulcahy, Lakshmi Darbha, Karen Czapanskiy, Maura Page, Kimba Green, Jessica Kent Commissioners Absent: Lois Jarman, Tara Woodward

Guests: Athena Edsall, Valerie Dougherty, Melissa Atherholt, Lindsay Burdette

President Annie Jones called the meeting to order at 7:05pm, a quorum was present.

#### I. Introductions

Commissioners, volunteers and guests introduced themselves

# **II.** Executive Committee Report

- **a.** President's Updates and Announcements:
  - i. Women's March update: Executive Committee had decided not to participate in the Women's March (Jan 20). The members discussed the pros and cons of participation.
  - ii. Women's Legislative Briefing (WLB) Conference Registration / Sponsorship (Jan 27). A motion was to vote for \$125 towards conference registration was made by Lakshmi and seconded by Kimba. The motion passed unanimously. Six SheLeads students have expressed their interest in attending the conference. Commission will request the use of 15-seater van from the county.
  - iii. Commission is planning to request the County Executive through ha letter to continue funding the CFW in the upcoming County Budget. In past year the Commission received \$2000 annual funds from the county. On Jan 27, 3pm there will a brainstorming session at the library.
- **b.** Approval of meeting minutes for November and December 2018:
  - i. The motion to vote to approve Nov 2018 meeting minutes was made by Shauna and seconded by Jessica. The motion passed with 5 in favor and 3 abstentions.
  - ii. The motion to vote to approve Dec 2018 meeting minutes was made by Lakshmi and seconded by Shauna. The motion passed with 7 in favor and 1 abstention.

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c. Treasurer's Report (not discussed)

# III. Commission Business

a. Outreach (Rosario and Lakshmi)

Commission participated in the following events:

- Jan 2019: Naturalization ceremony. Commissioners helped six new citizens with voter registration Upcoming Events:
- ii. Winchester Hall, Frederick
- Jan 21, 2019 6-8:30pm MLK Jr Community Potluck, Trinity United Methodist Church, Frederick
- iv. Jan 27, 2019: Women's Legislative Briefing

# **b.** Legislative (Karen & Jessica) update

- i. Women's Legislative Briefing conference: Jan 27
- ii. Maryland Legislative Agenda for Women (MLAW) online survey
- iii. Lobby Day in Annapolis (Jan 22)

# c. Annual Awards Dinner (RAW: Raving About Women) (Kimba)

i. Nominations from the members for the 2 awards (individual and group) will be noted in a closed session after the public meeting

# d. SheLEADS

Overview of last two sessions (Dec 30, Jan 6)

- i. December 30<sup>th:</sup> Planning county-wide youth summit involving all Frederick County high schools. The group is working on a survey to ather the scope of the summit and come up with a mission statement
- ii. Next session: MLK Jr project by SheLeads students

# e. Human Trafficking (Annie)

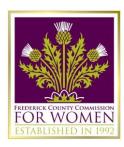
i. County conference on Jan 27 at Frederick County Community College.

# f. Recruitment (Shauna)

#### **II.** Commissioner Announcements

- i. Kimba: MeTooFrederick has a dinner event on Jan 24 at Nido's restaurant.
- ii. Jessica: Women's March Event Date: Jan 20, 2019. (Post meeting note: Meeting Postponed to Jan 27). Volunteers needed for the event and the training will be held on Jan 12, 4pm

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- ii. Karen: Country kitchen Thurmont, Club meeting on Jan 12, 7pm about Frederick County Sheriff's participation with regards to ICE and Jail.
- iv. Maura: Hood College is hosting Spring Community Career fair on Mar28
- v. Rosario: baby shower event on Feb 22
- vi. Lakshmi: Non-profit Aavanee is planning to apply for grants from United Way in April towards STEM, Spanish and Yoga programs
- vii. Athena Edsell from Citizen's Division asked a team from the Commission to make an appointment with her to update the CFW part of the county website. Kimba has taken the lead on this and is working with Athena.
- I. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.